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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Takahiro Hoshida, et al.

Group Art Unit: 3745

Serial No.: 09/824,324

Examiner: Lopez, Frank D.

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For: COMPRESSOR PISTON AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE
COMPRESSOR PISTON

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated April 2, 2003, Applicants respectfully
request reconsideration in view of the following remarks.

The Claims as pending are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.